



Shadsworth Junior School



Curriculum

Year 6 Scheme of Work

Term: Autumn 2

Topic: Advent: How do Christians prepare for Christmas?

Key Skills and Knowledge:

Aims

- To delve deeper into the themes of the season of Advent.
- Introduce pupils to the Christian belief that Jesus will return (the second coming).

Key Skills and Knowledge: Enquire, Synthesise, Analyse, Reflect, Evaluate, Apply

- Retell in detail the story of the Exodus and connect it to the Passover celebration and Seder meal.
- Make links between the Passover, Last Supper and the Eucharist.

- Use appropriate religious vocabulary to show they understand why Passover is a festival of memory and freedom.
- Express their opinion about what freedom is and what it is not.
- Identify the similarities and differences between the level of importance placed on the Exodus and Passover by Jews and Christians. Explain, using appropriate religious language, the significance of the Passover and why it is not forgotten.

Reading and Writing Opportunities (Long and Short Activities) Creative Ideas and Hooks

Imagine being Mary watching Jesus grow up. What do the children think she would remember most? Write extracts from Mary's diary. What pictures would be in her photo album? What texts would she have sent to Jesus?

Advent is a season of hope. Focus on what kind of people they would like to be. These hopes and dreams could be written as poetry.

3D Art - Make an Advent wreath.

Key Questions

- What is Advent?
- When is Advent?
- Why is Advent a time of preparation?
- What is being prepared for during Advent?
- What has this unit taught you about what it means to be a Christian?
- What has this unit taught you about Christian beliefs?
- Have you learnt anything about yourself from this unit?

Links to PSHCE, Equality and British Values Work

If John was here today from what would he be calling people to repent? Fighting, pollution, hatred, materialism, selfishness or racism?

What ideas do the children have? What current issues are there in the news?

Key Vocabulary:

Advent, prophet, prophesy, John the Baptist, Messiah, annunciation, incarnation, Mary

Resources Available / Visits/Visitors

Advent calendar
Advent Wreath
Church visit

Useful Websites:

See Questful resources

Previous Knowledge

Know that advent is a time of preparation.
How do we prepare for Christmas?